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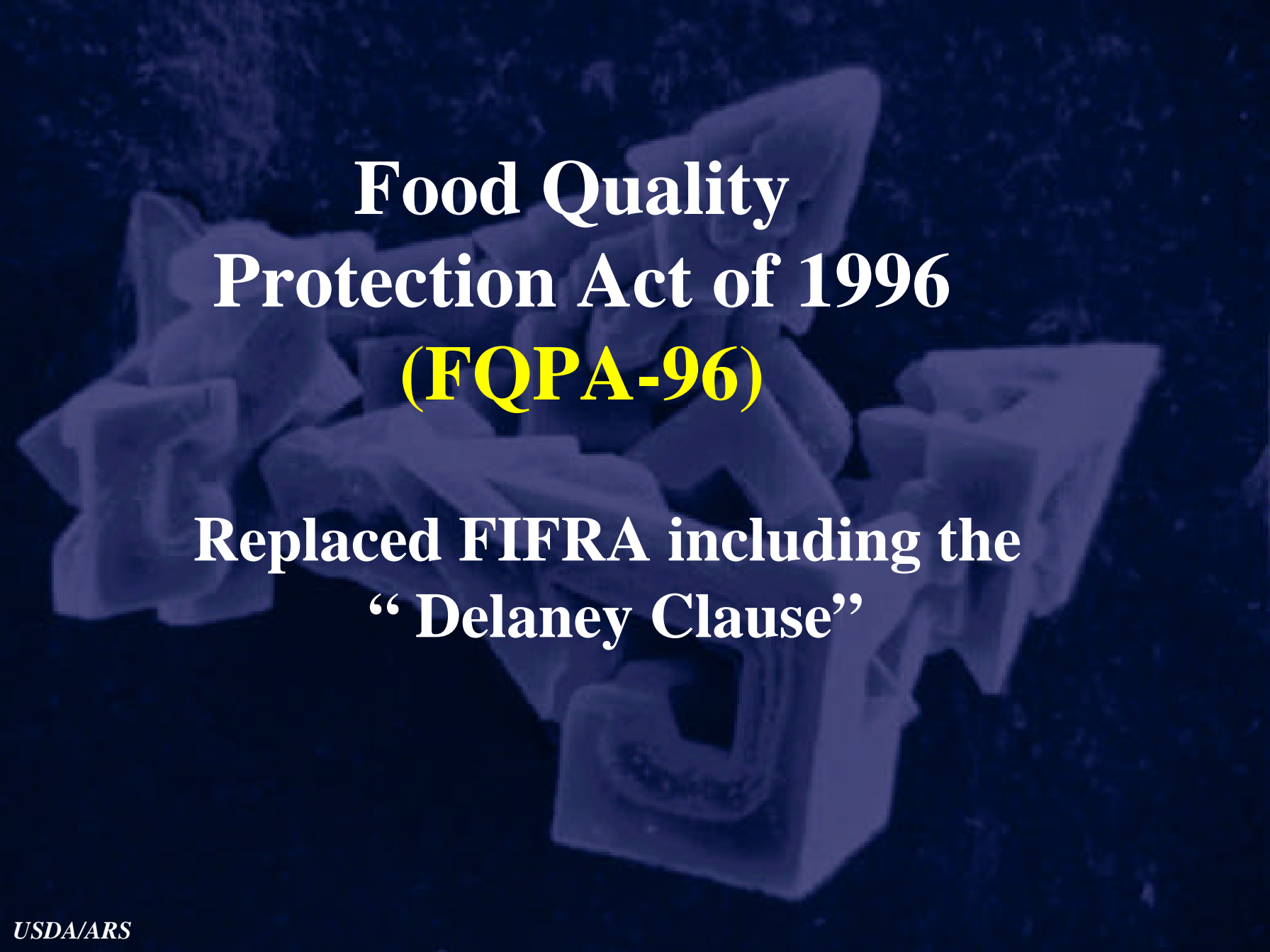
Weather Stations



USDA, Agricultural Research Service, Application Technology Research Unit Wooster, Ohio at the OSU/OARDC

Objectives: To conduct fundamental and developmental research on new, improved application technologies to protect floricultural, nursery, landscape and turf crops against damage from diseases, pests and adverse environmental conditions, while safeguarding environmental quality and worker safety, and enhancing profitability

Partnerships with the Green Industry



Food Quality Protection Act of 1996 (FQPA-96)

**Replaced FIFRA including the
“Delaney Clause”**

Project Accomplishments or Progress

1. Improvement of spray coverage.
2. EBA assessment of coverage.
3. Enhanced control of soil insect pests.
4. Establishment of research weather stations.



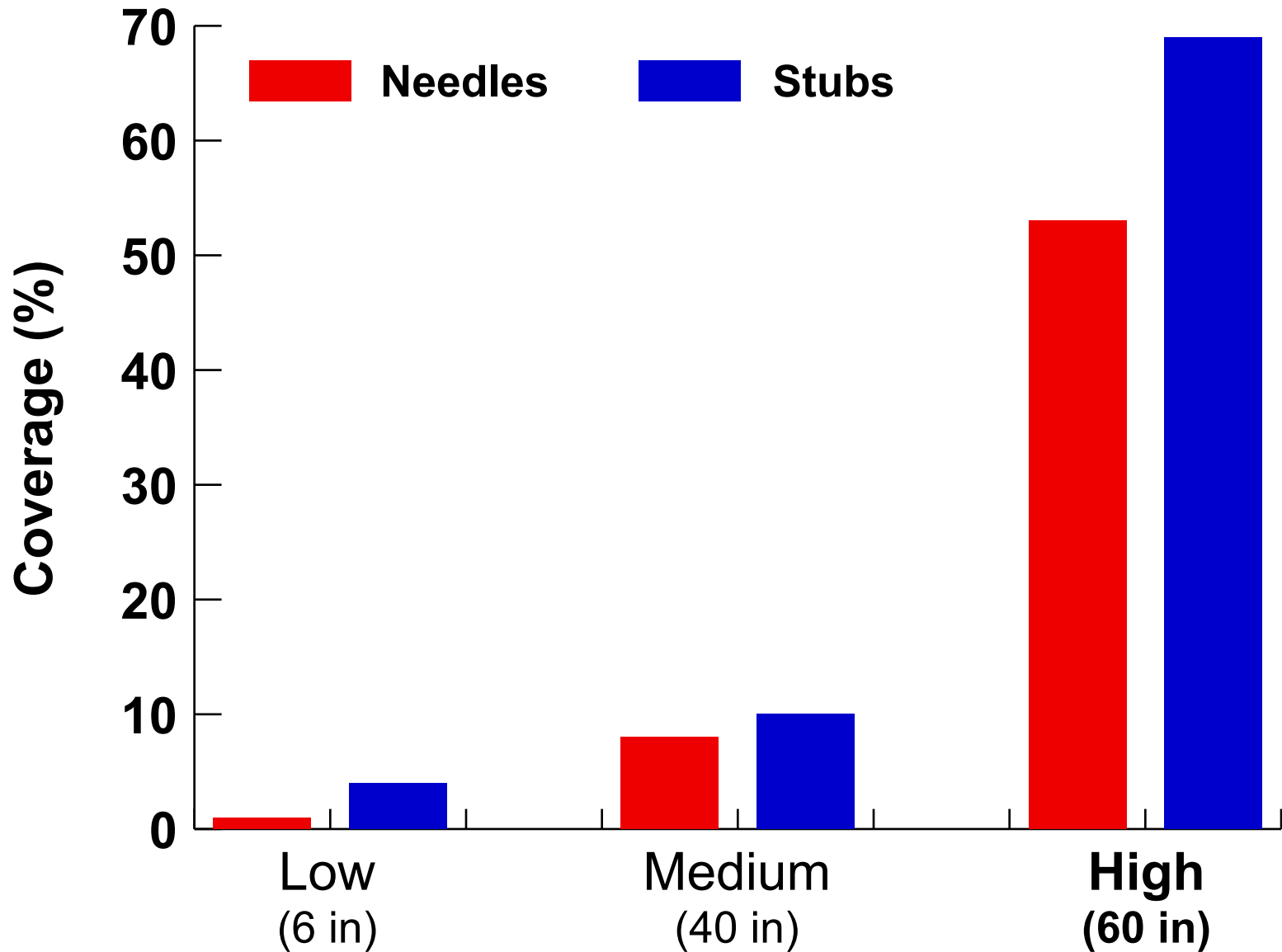








Average Coverage per Position of Needles or Stubs



Position of Needles or Stubs



1. Improvement of spray coverage in nurseries and greenhouses.

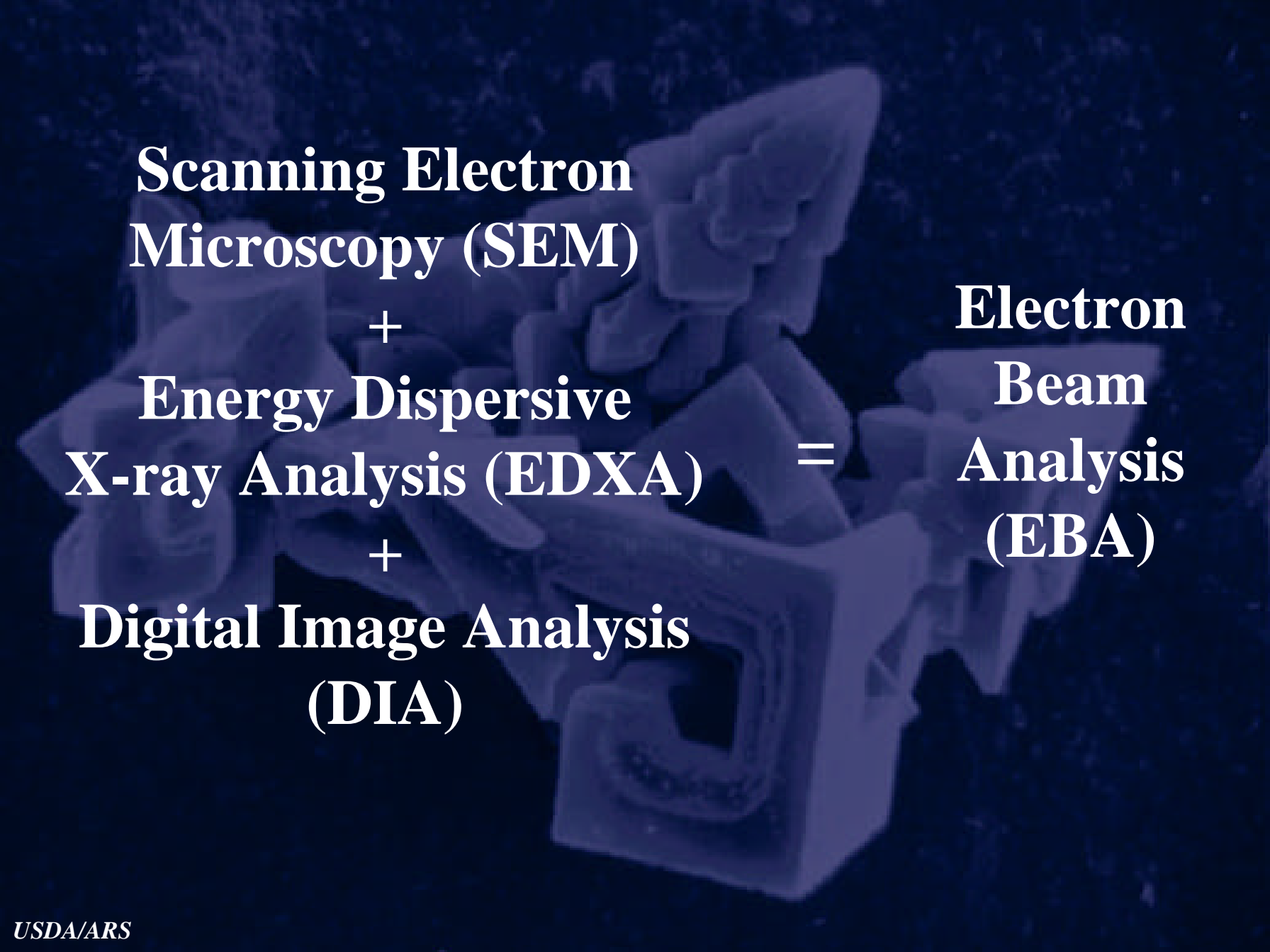




**Value to Stakeholders:
Reduced fungicide use
with improved efficacy.**



2. Assessment of pesticide coverage using electron beam analysis.



**Scanning Electron
Microscopy (SEM)**
+
**Energy Dispersive
X-ray Analysis (EDXA)**
+
**Digital Image Analysis
(DIA)**

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**Electron
Beam
Analysis
(EBA)**



Partnerships with the Green Industry Horticultural and Field Crops Research

Advanced Technology Research Unit, USDA-ARS, Midwest Area
at The Ohio State University
Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Wooster, Ohio



Western Statement
To conduct research and development
in horticultural and field crops research
to produce beneficial products
and services for the horticultural and
field crops industries, and to
enhance the quality of life for
the people of the United States.

Assessment of Fungicide Coverage and Efficacy Presentation



Development of Fungicide Coverage and Efficacy Presentation



Report on Fungicide Coverage and Efficacy Presentation



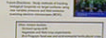
Future Directions



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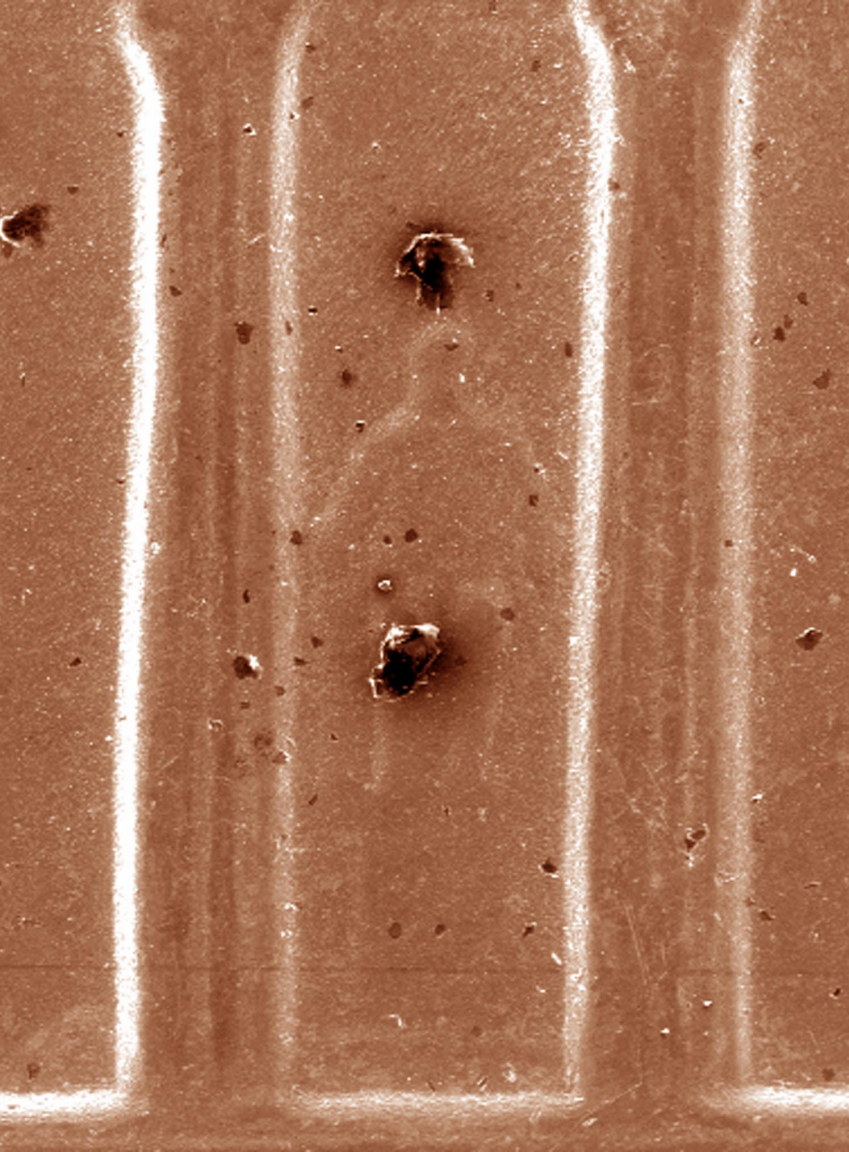
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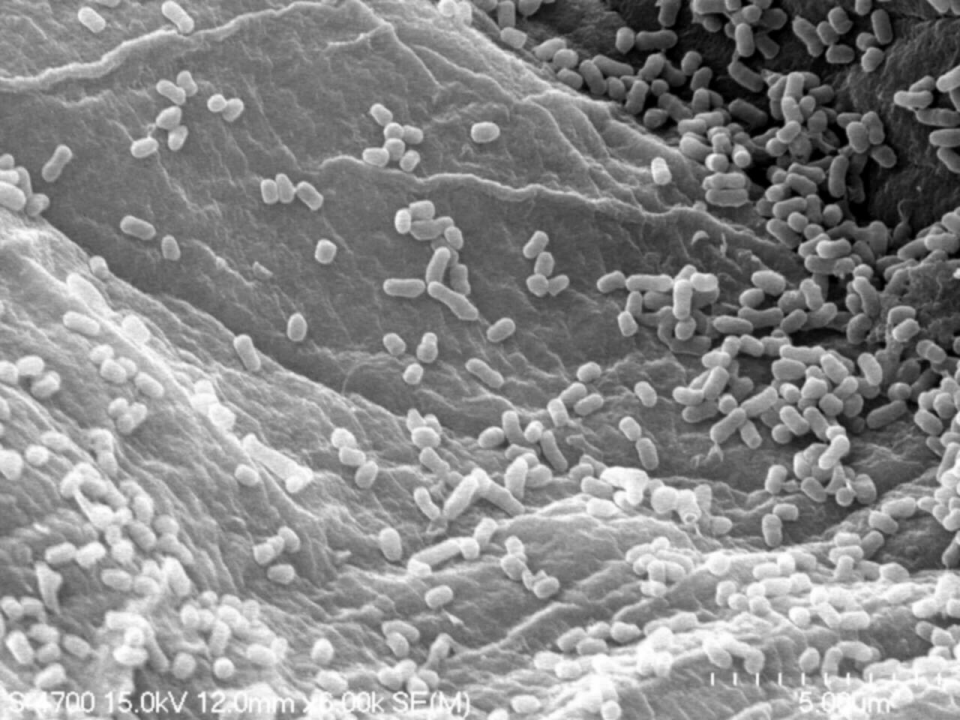
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Identification





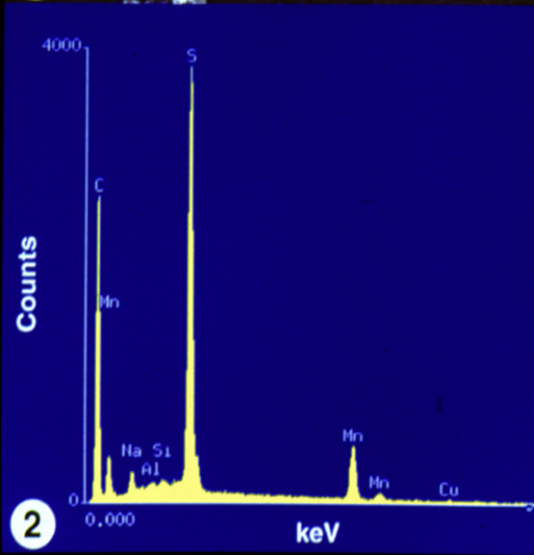
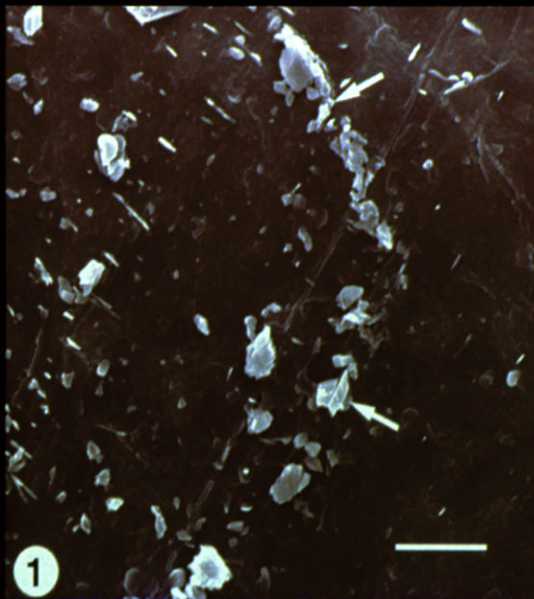
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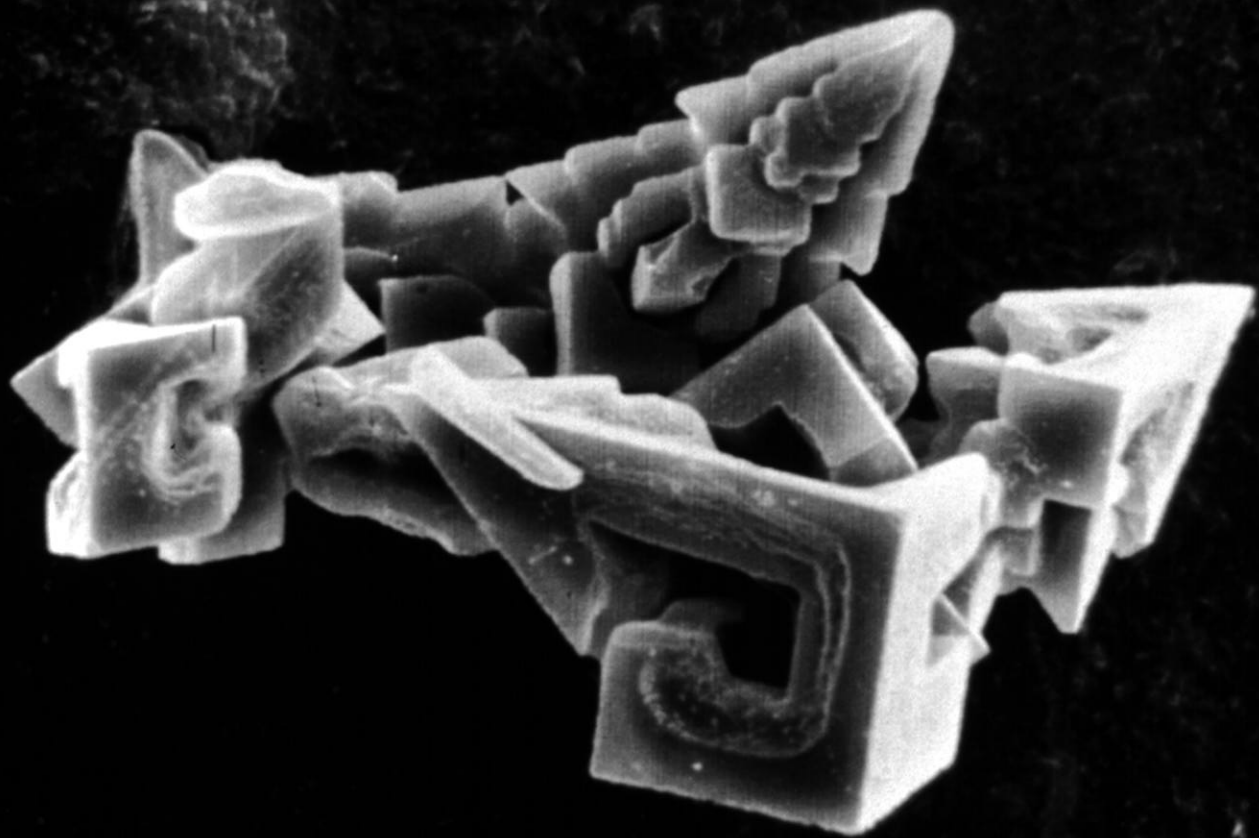
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A scanning electron micrograph (SEM) showing numerous angular, plate-like particles of Mancozeb. The particles are light gray and have sharp, irregular edges, some appearing as thin, flat sheets. They are scattered across a dark, textured background. The text is overlaid on the center of the image.

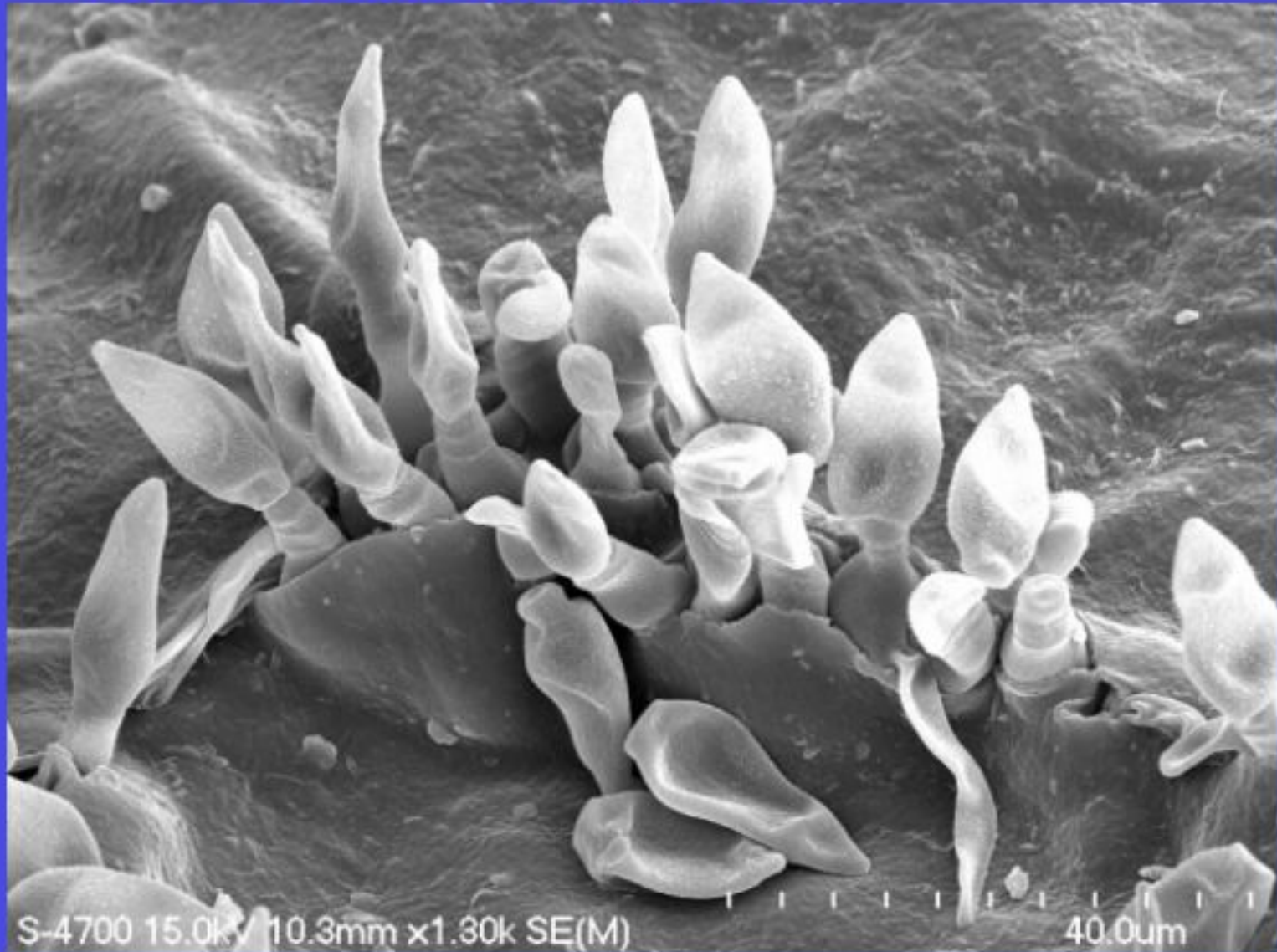
Mancozeb

Angular particles of 1 - 10 μm



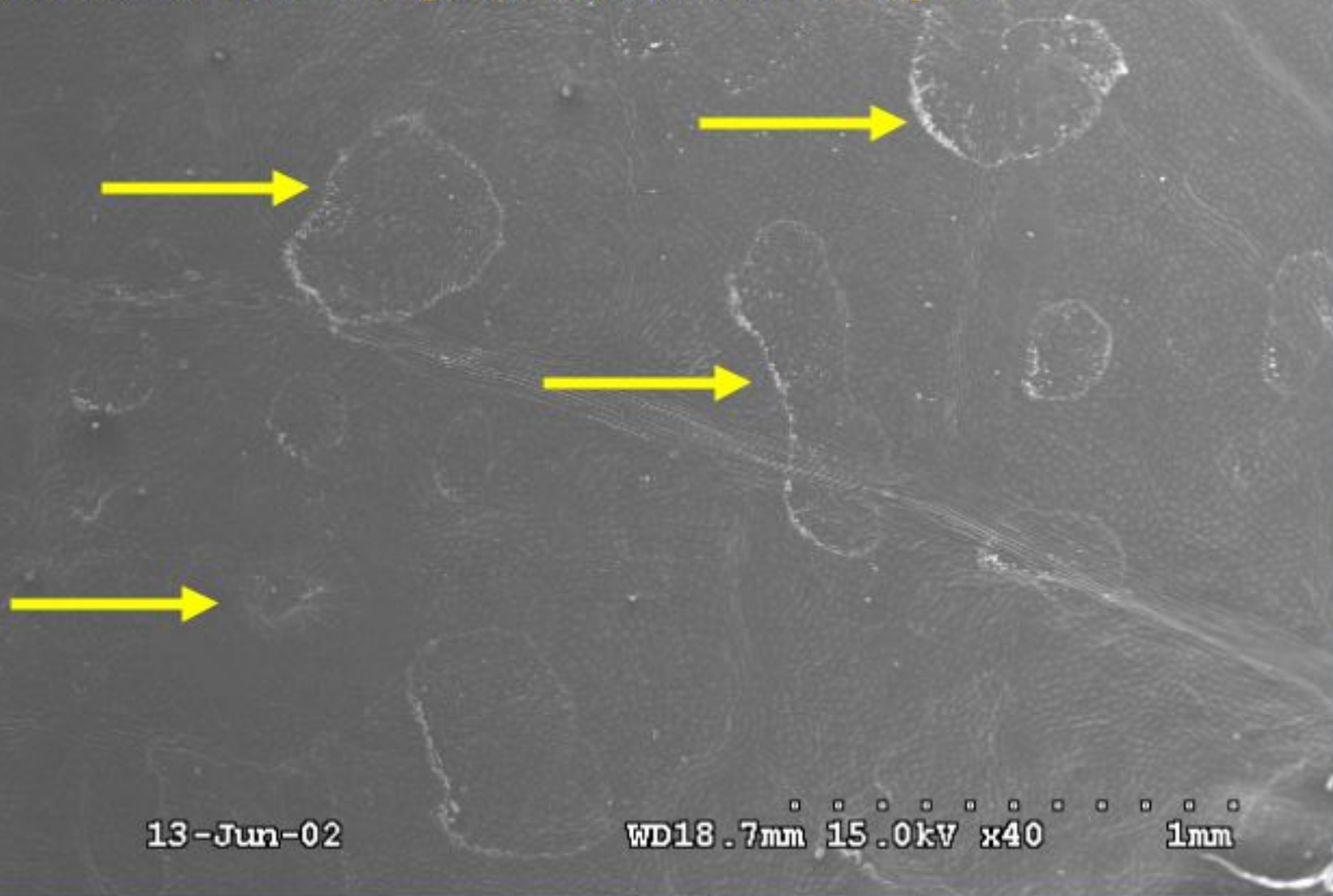


Apple scab infection is highly correlated with leaf wetness and temperature



Spray droplets on crabapple leaf surface

Note distance between droplets and different size of droplets



S-4700 1.0kV 13.9mm x60 SE(M) 2/25/00

500um



S-4700 10.0kV 12.3mm x900 SE(L) 2/25/00

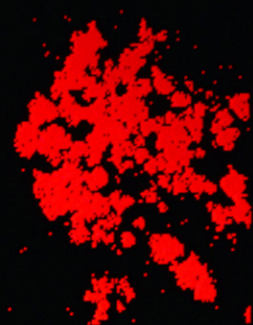
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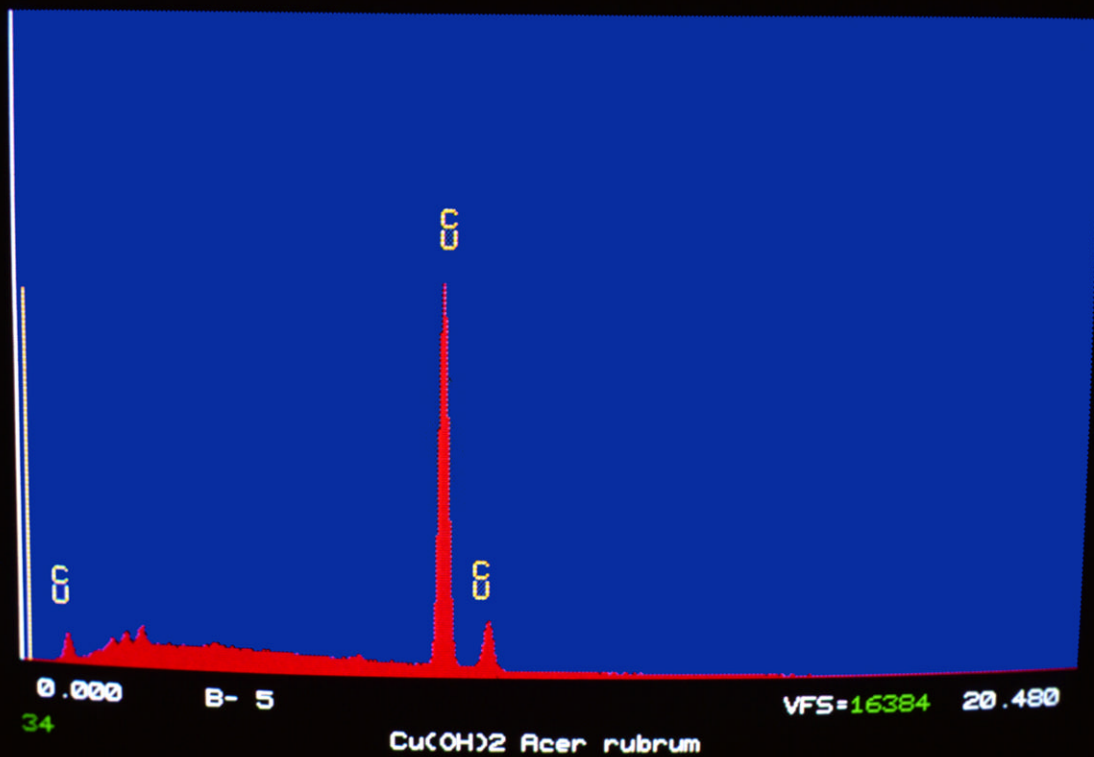
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**Value to Stakeholders: EBA tracking
will improve spray efficiency and
reduce fungicide use and labor costs.**



3. Enhanced control of BVW and scarabs with new injection methods for biological strategies.



Value to stakeholders: Improved control of
BVW and scarab pests reduce quarantine
concerns.



4. Establishment of the USDA, ARS, ATRU Weather Station Research Network with data also available for growers to predict the effects of adverse weather conditions on crop production.

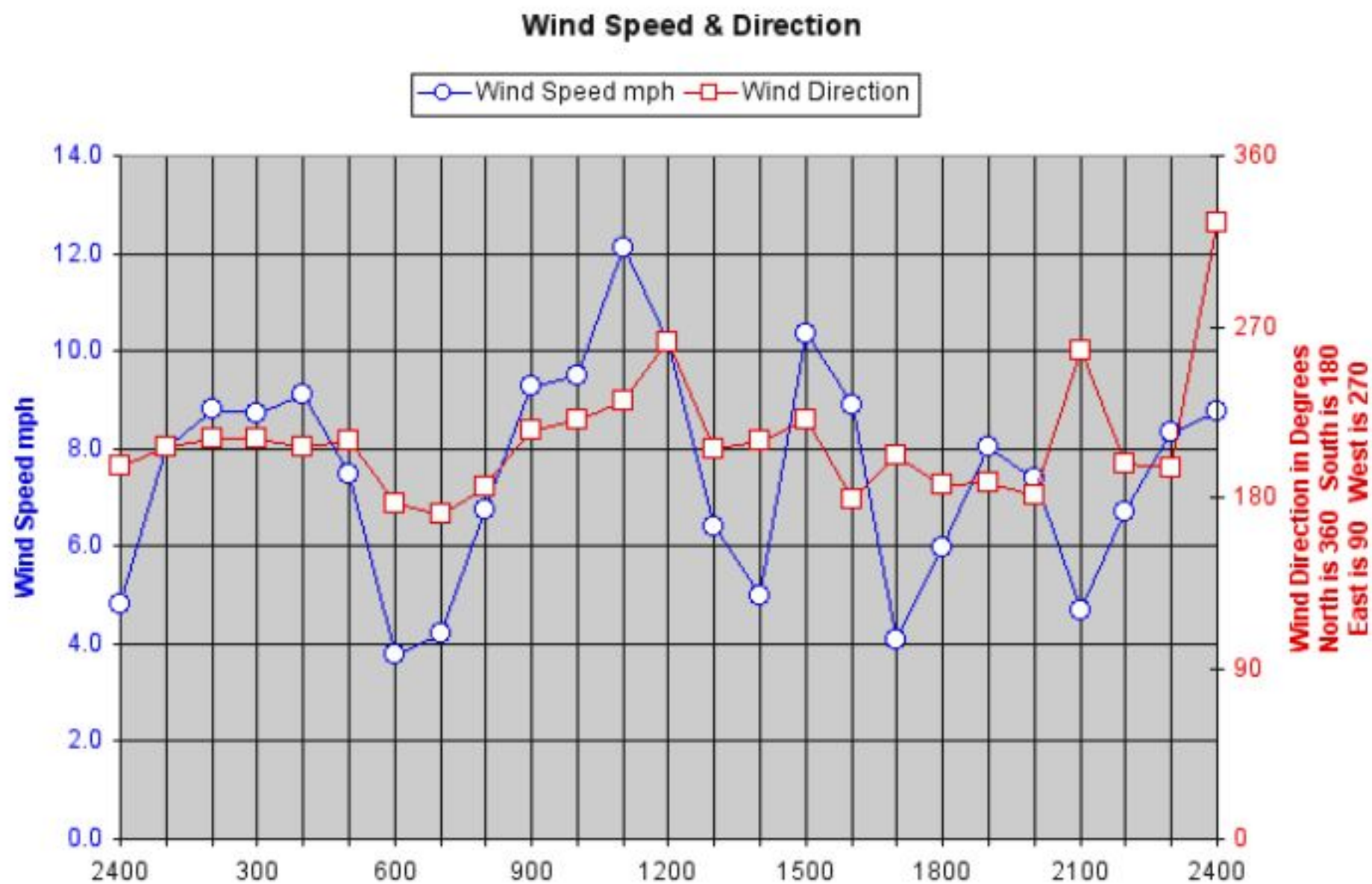


Weather Station,
Sunleaf Nursery,
Madison, OH

Web Page for accessing Lake County weather information: www.oardc.ohio-state.edu/usdaweather/



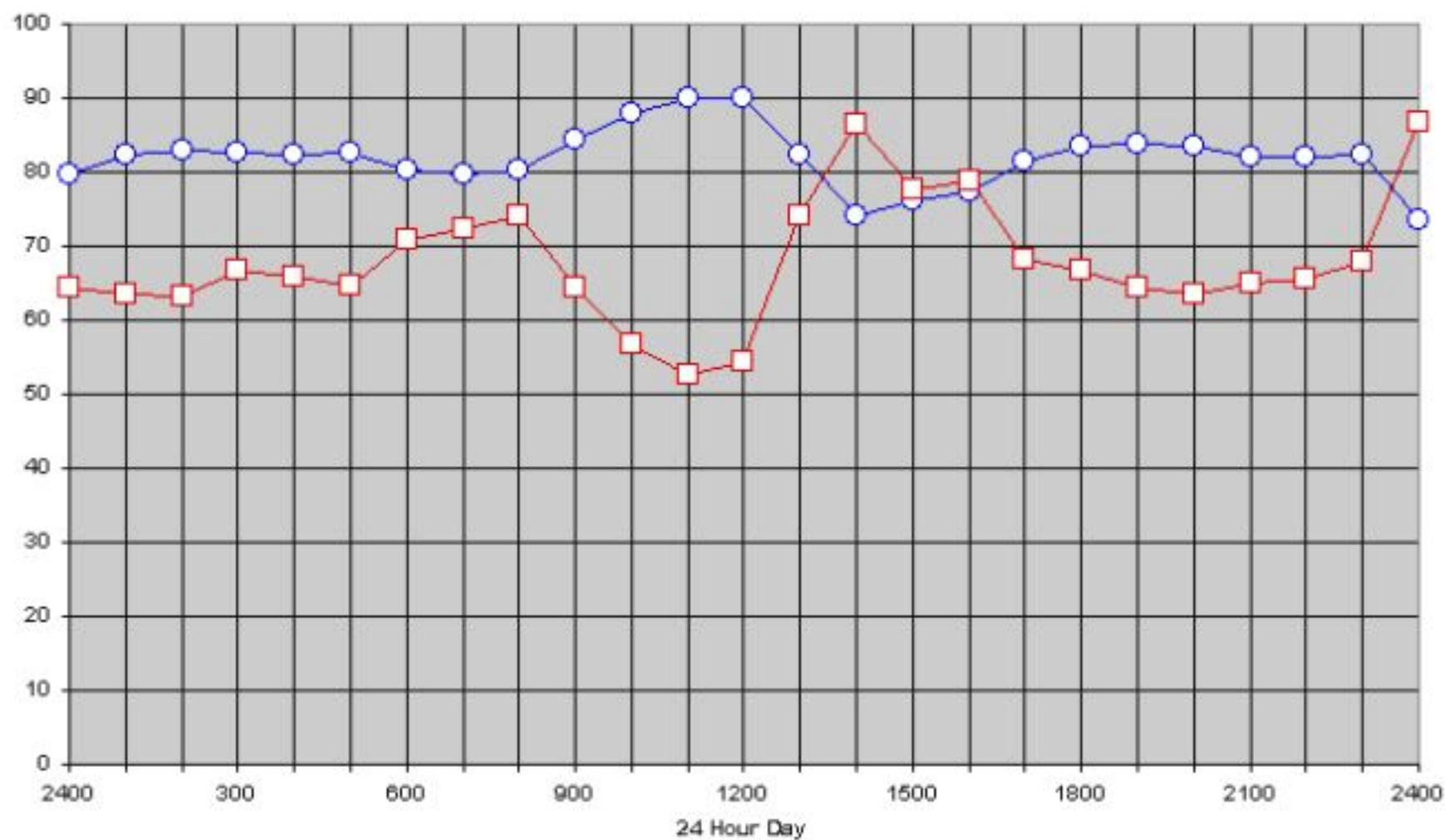
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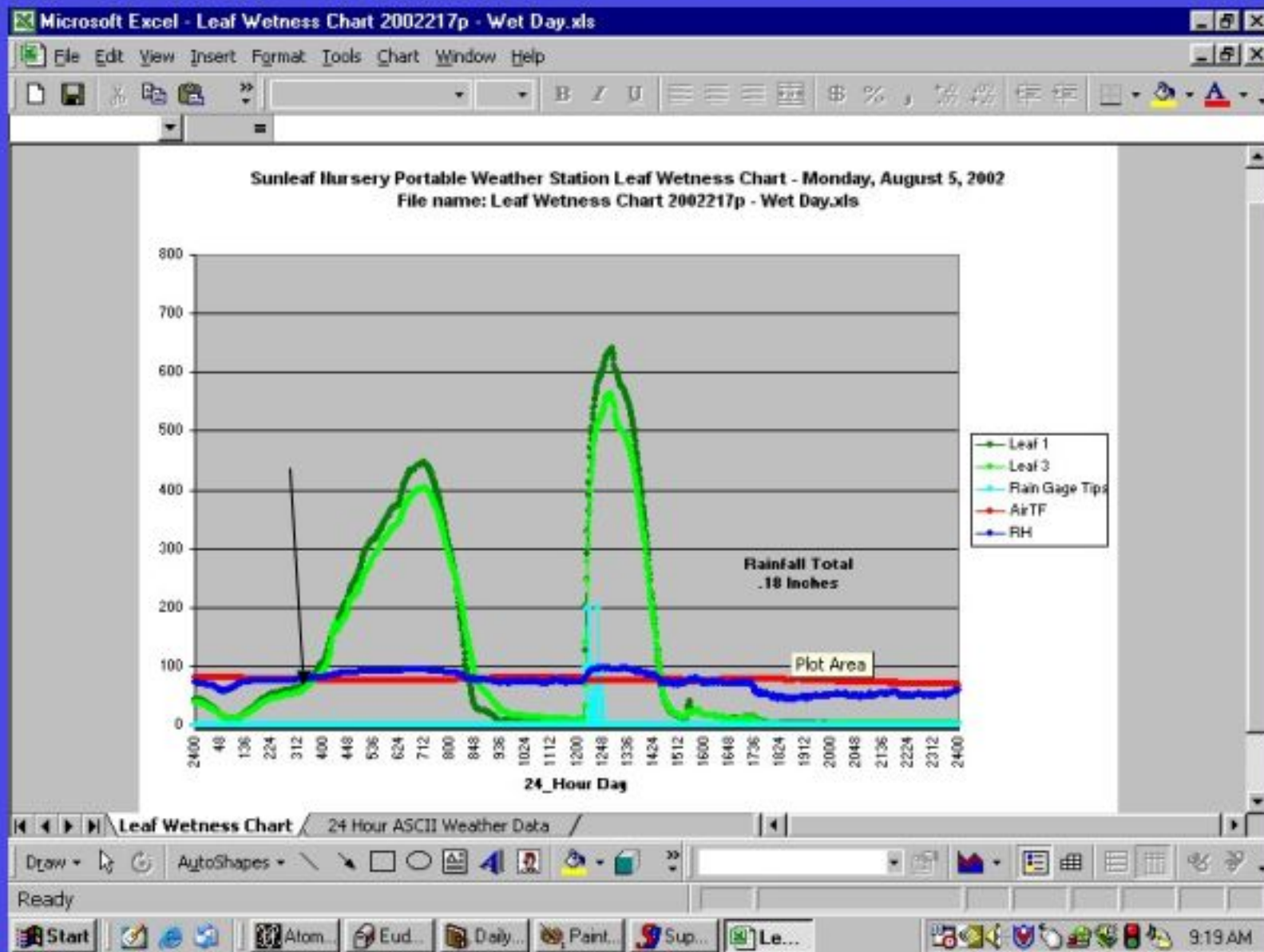
Data for temperature and relative humidity

Temperature & Relative Humidity

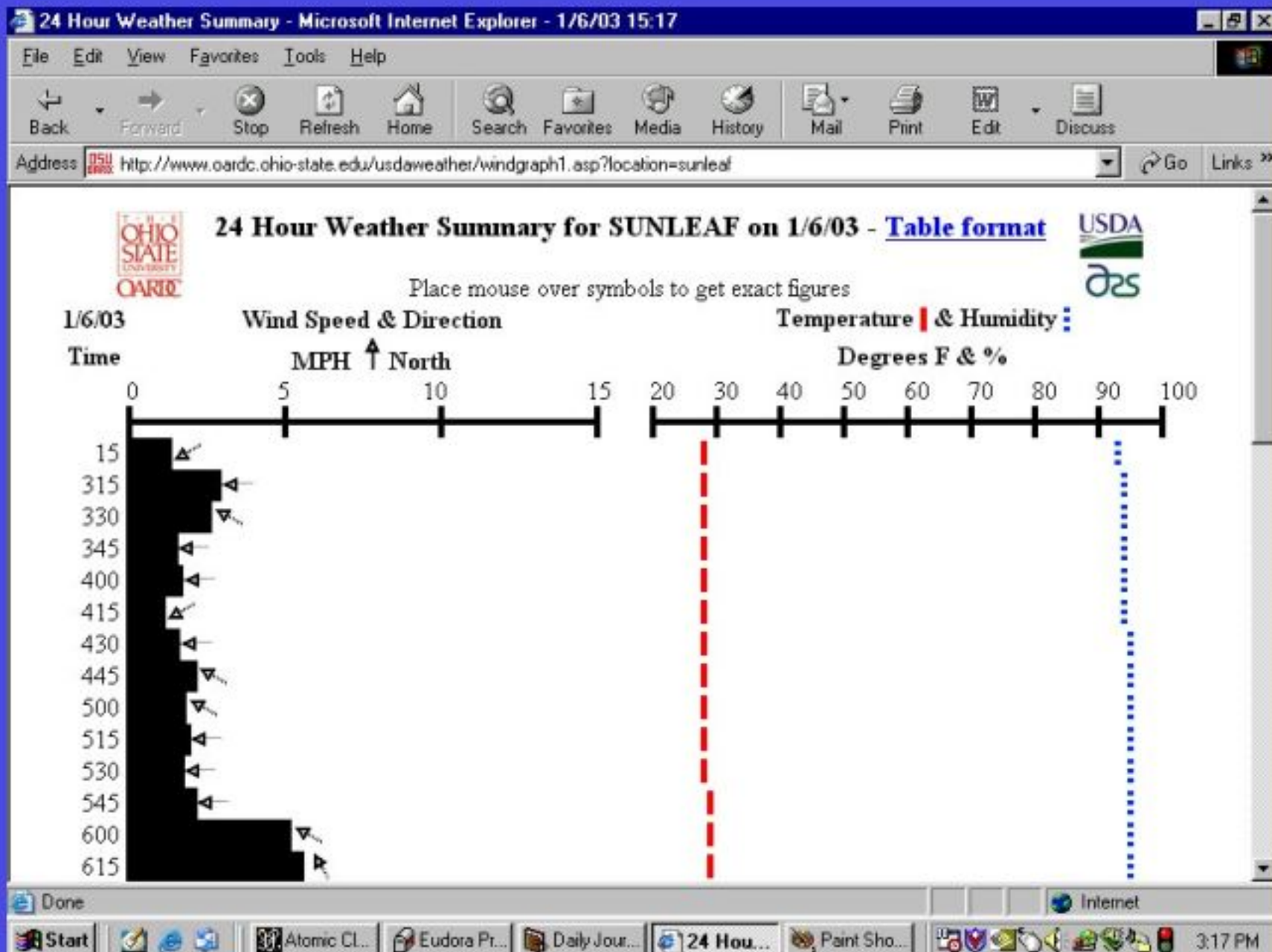
—○— Temperature Fahrenheit —□— Relative Humidity



Sample leaf wetness sensor data for dew on leaves and rainfall events on Aug. 5, 2002



Screen appearance of weather data in graphical format



Value to stakeholders:

Use of meteorological data will permit the use of disease and insect models to improve integrated pest and disease management.

Additional Funding and Partnerships

Horticultural Research Institute

OSU/OARDC: Extension

ANLA and SAF

OFA, ONLA, NGLCO and TAFVGA

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Technology Transfer Activities

**Annual participation in nursery field days.
Presentations at the Ohio Nursery Short Course
and CENTS of the ONLA.**

**Annual participation in the Ohio Florist' Asso.(OFA)
trade show and short course.**

**On-site technology transfer during research studies
and during nursery spray-night workshops.
Memberships in OFA and ONLA Committees.**

Extension
Agent



NGLCO Field Day 2000



Project Team

Charles Krause, Research Leader

Ross Brazee, Agricultural Engineer

Richard Derksen, Agricultural Engineer

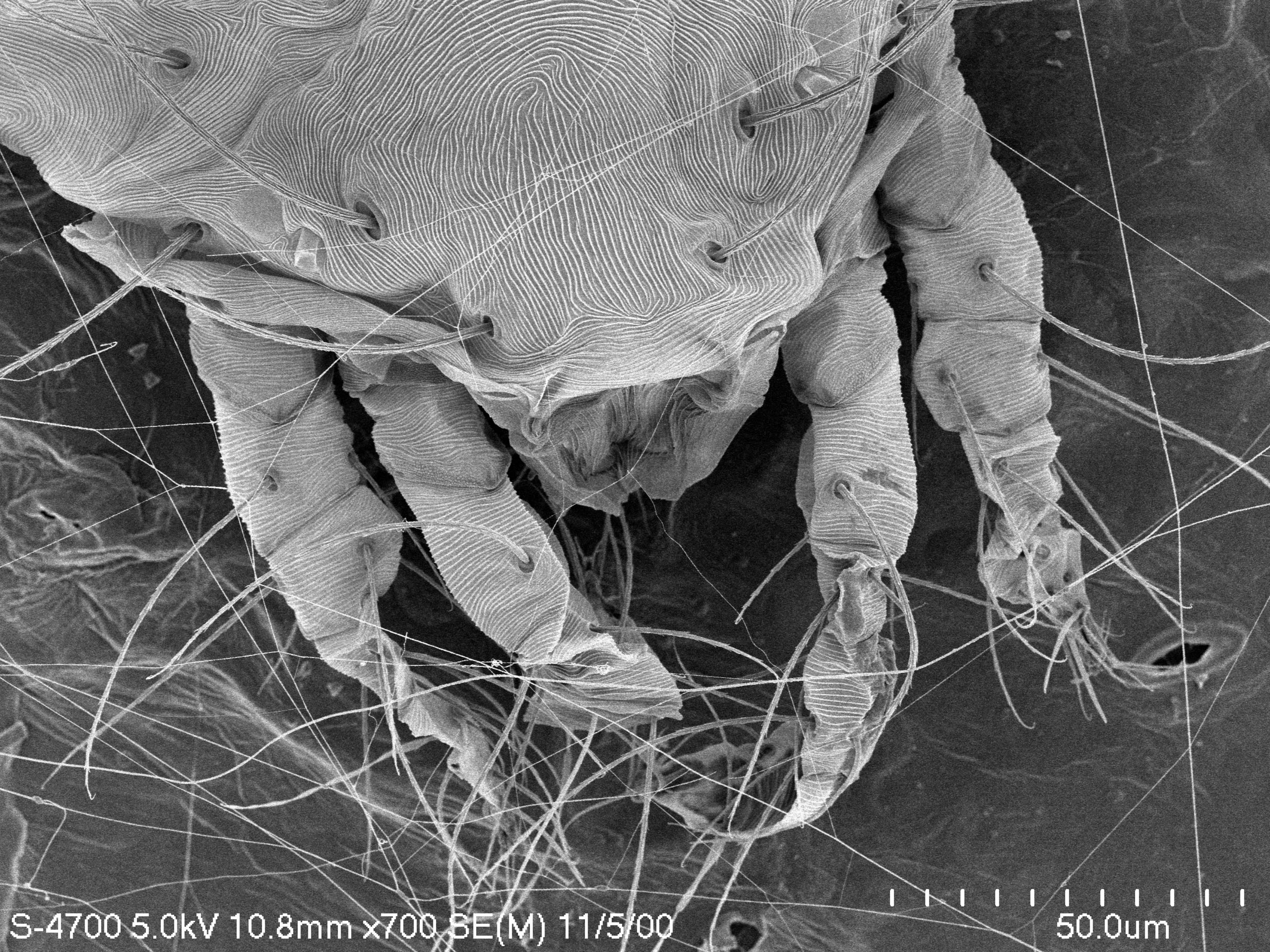
Michael Klein, Research Entomologist

James Locke, Research Plant Pathologist

Michael Reding, Research Entomologist

Heping Zhu, Agricultural Engineer

Horticulturist, vacant



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